

Fig. 1

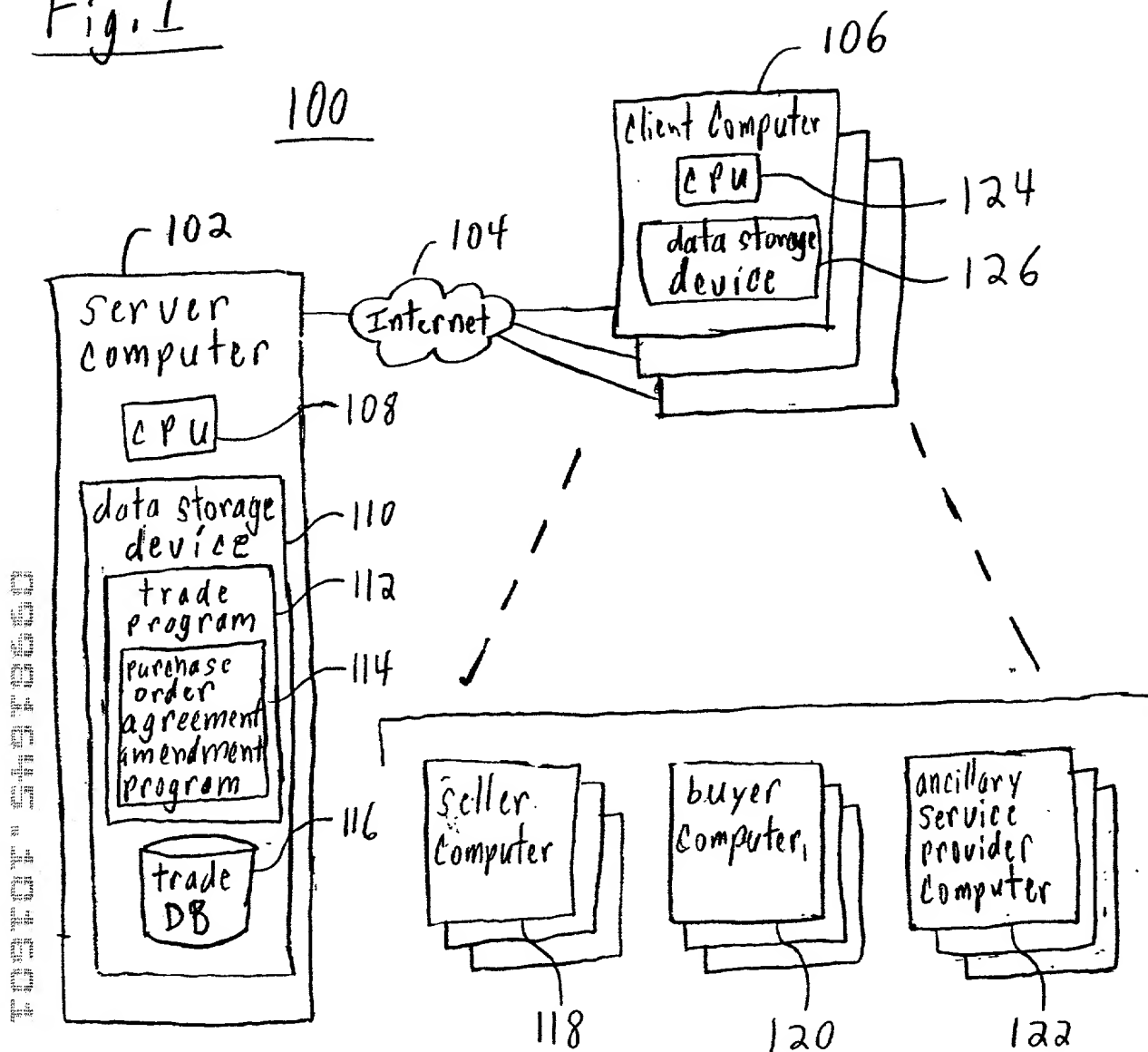


Fig. 2

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allow electronic procurement of a purchase order agreement between a seller and a buyer and relating to a transaction in one or more goods, and electronically store the purchase order agreement

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allow electronic modification of the purchase order agreement upon agreement by the seller and the buyer to the modification

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receive and store electronic evidence that the seller has performed in connection with fulfilling the seller's obligations, as defined by the purchase order agreement, as modified by any modifications

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electronically evaluate whether the seller has complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement as modified by any modifications

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Fig. 3

300

allow electronic procurement of a purchase order agreement between a seller and a buyer and relating to a transaction in one or more goods, and electronically store the purchase order agreement 202

allow electronic modification of the purchase order agreement upon agreement by the seller and the buyer to the modification 204

receive and store electronic evidence that the seller has performed in connection with fulfilling the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement as modified by any modifications 206

electronically evaluate whether the seller has complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement as modified by any modifications 208

electronically provide a payment instruction if the seller has been evaluated to have complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement as modified by any modifications 302

receive and store electronic evidence that the buyer has made one or more payments in connection with fulfilling the buyer's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement as modified by any modifications 304

Fig. 4

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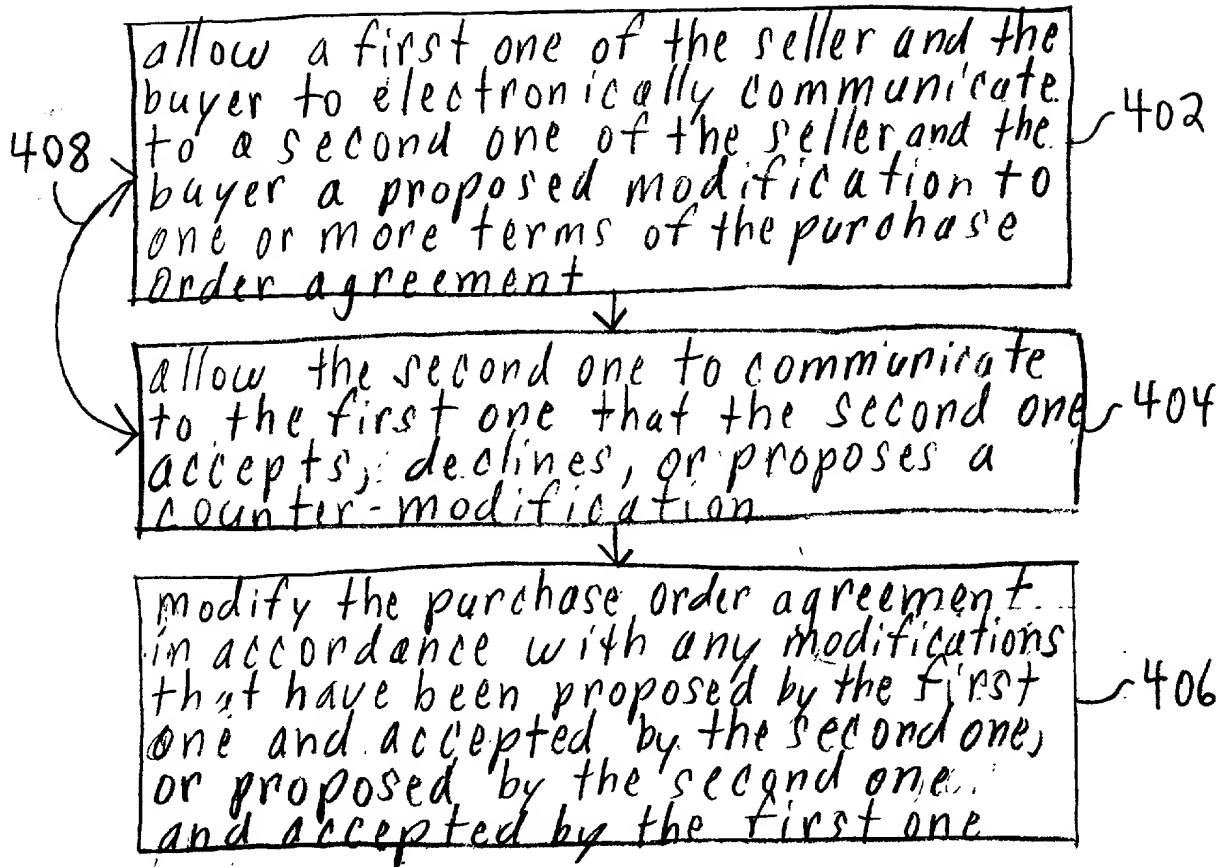


Fig. 5

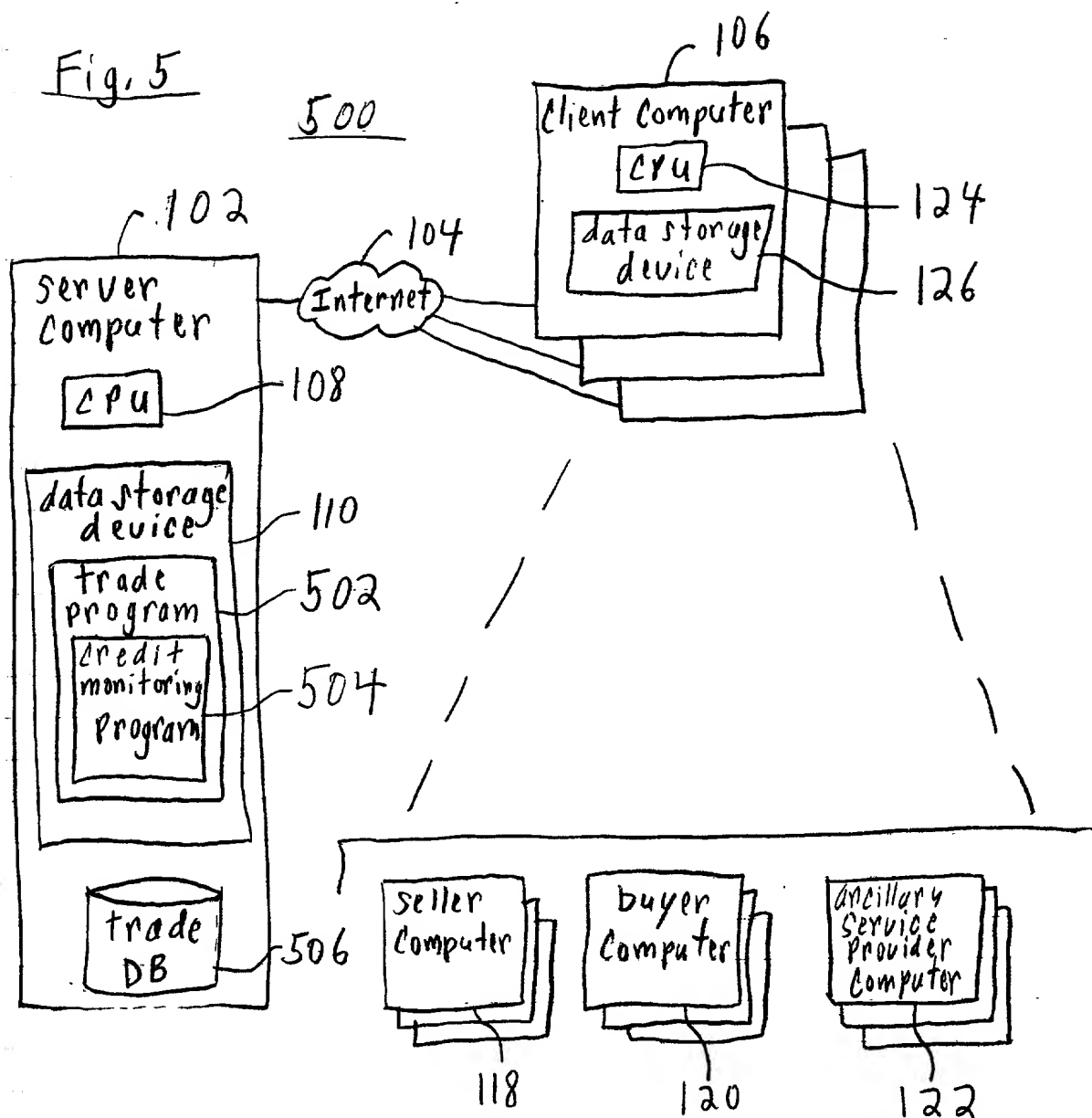


Fig. 6

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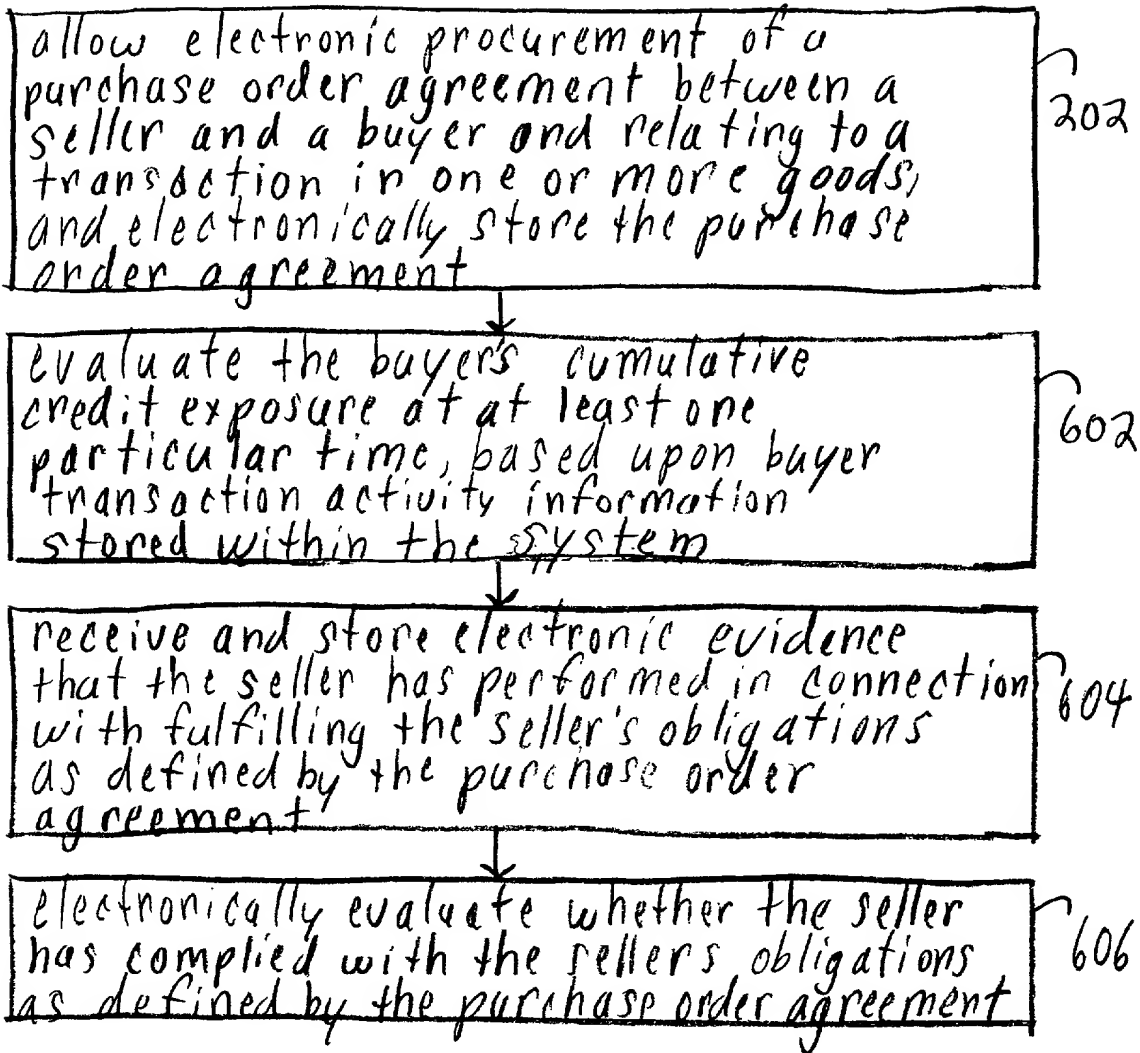


Fig. 7

700

allow electronic procurement of a purchase order agreement between a seller and a buyer and relating to a transaction in one or more goods, and electronically store the purchase order agreement

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evaluate the buyer's cumulative credit exposure at at least one particular time based upon buyer transaction activity information stored within the system

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receive and store electronic evidence that the seller has performed in connection with fulfilling the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

604

electronically evaluate whether the seller has complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

606

electronically provide a payment instruction if the seller has been evaluated to have complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

608

receive and store electronic evidence that the buyer has made one or more payments in connection with fulfilling the buyer's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

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202~ allow electronic procurement of a purchase order agreement between a seller and a buyer and relating to a transaction in one or more goods, and electronically store the purchase order agreement

602~ evaluate the buyer's cumulative credit exposure at at least one particular time based upon buyer transaction activity information stored within the system

802~ if the buyer's cumulative credit exposure is less than a pre-defined maximum, provide an opportunity for the seller to obtain buyer credit assurance to assure against risk of loss to the seller, resulting from failure of the buyer to make a required payment in connection with the transaction

604~ receive and store electronic evidence that the seller has performed in connection with fulfilling the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

606~ electronically evaluate whether the seller has complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

608~ electronically provide a payment instruction if the seller has been evaluated to have complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

610~ receive and store electronic evidence that the buyer has made one or more payments in connection with fulfilling the buyer's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement



Fig. 9

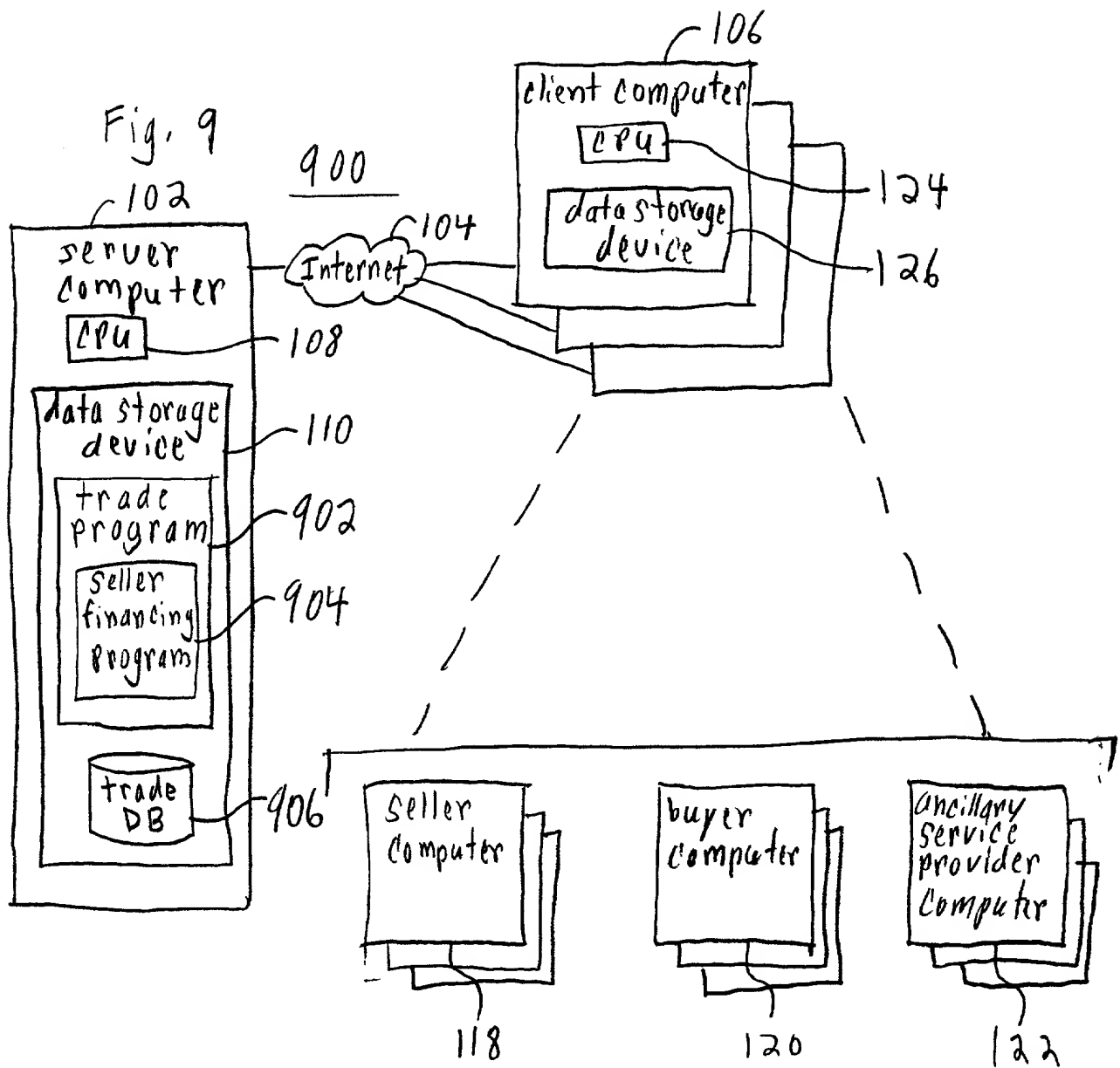


Fig. 10

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202~ allow electronic procurement of a purchase order agreement between a seller and a buyer and relating to a transaction in one or more goods; and electronically store the purchase order agreement



1002~ electronically provide an opportunity for the seller to obtain financing in relation to producing the one or more goods



604~ receive and store electronic evidence that the seller has performed in connection with fulfilling the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement



606~ electronically evaluate whether the seller has complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

Fig. 11

1100

- 202 ~ allow electronic procurement of a purchase order agreement between a seller and a buyer and relating to a transaction in one or more goods, and electronically store the purchase order agreement
- 1002 ~ electronically provide an opportunity for the seller to obtain financing in relation to producing the one or more goods
- 604 ~ receive and store electronic evidence that the seller has performed in connection with fulfilling the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement
- 606 ~ electronically evaluate whether the seller has complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement
- 608 ~ electronically provide a payment instruction if the seller has been evaluated to have complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement
- 610 ~ receive and store electronic evidence that the buyer has made one or more payments in connection with fulfilling the buyer's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

Fig. 12

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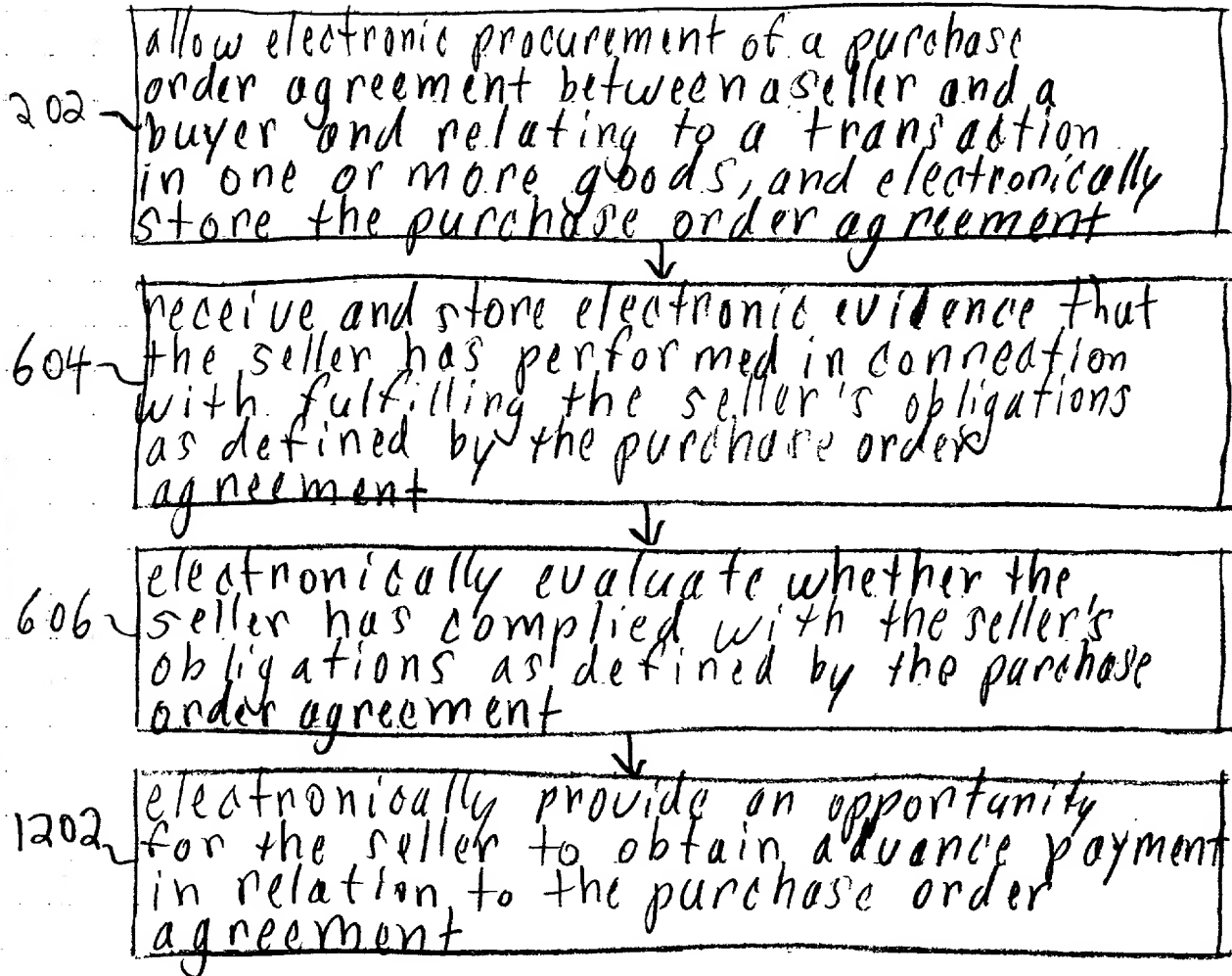


Fig. 13

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604~ receive and store electronic evidence that the seller has performed in connection with fulfilling the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

606~ electronically evaluate whether the seller has complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

1202~ electronically provide an opportunity for the seller to obtain advance payment in relation to the purchase order agreement

608~ electronically providing a payment instruction if the seller has been evaluated to have complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

610~ receive and store electronic evidence that the buyer has made one or more payments in connection with fulfilling the buyer's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

Fig. 14

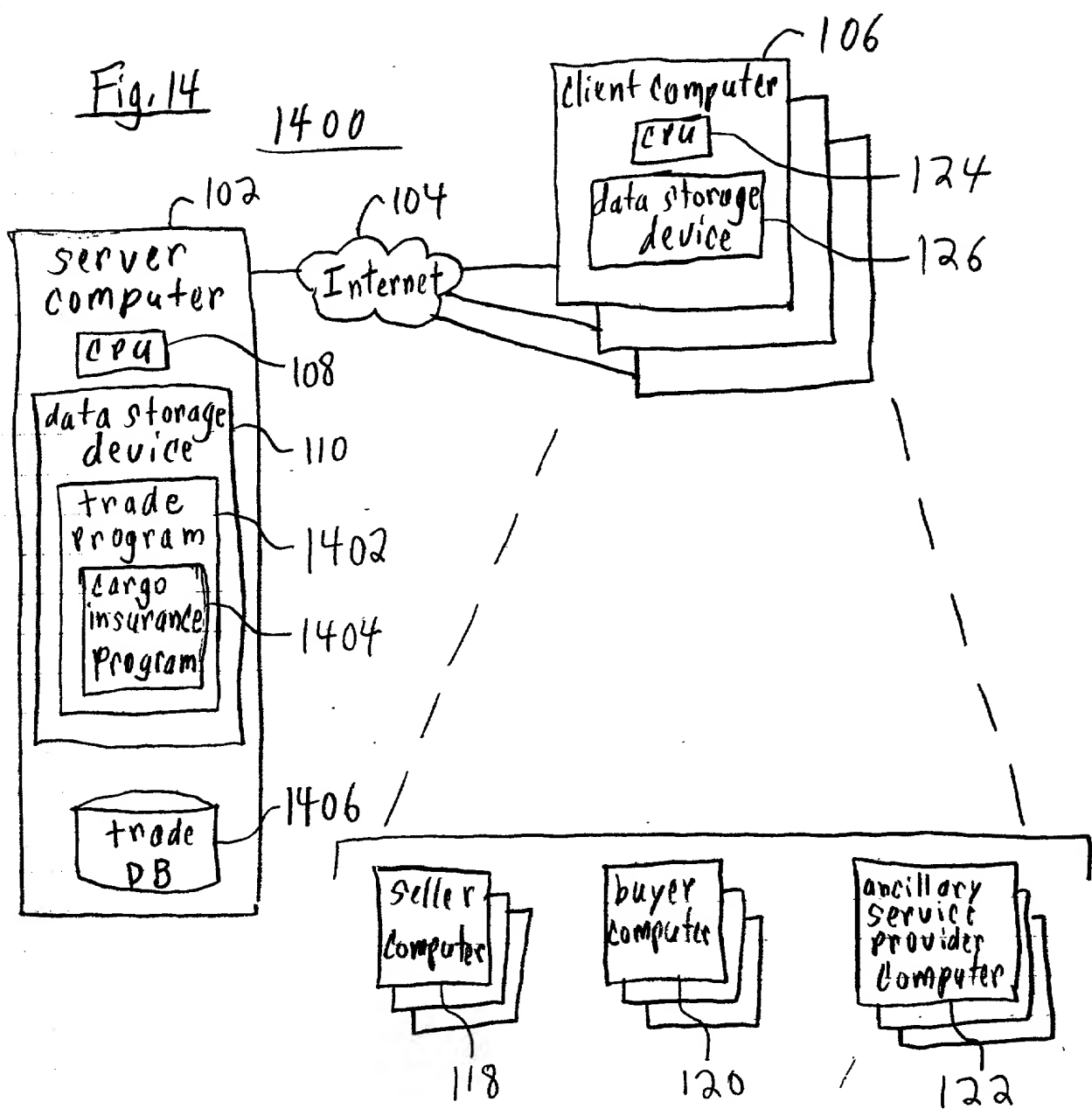


Fig. 15

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202~ allow electronic procurement of a purchase order agreement between a seller and a buyer and relating to a transaction in one or more goods, and electronically store the purchase order agreement

604~ receive and store electronic evidence that the seller has performed in connection with fulfilling the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

1502~ provide an opportunity for at least one of the seller and the buyer to obtain, through the system, cargo insurance relating to the one or more goods to insure against risk of loss in connection with shipment of the one or more goods in accordance with the transaction

606~ electronically evaluate whether the seller has complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

Fig. 16

16 00

202 allow electronic procurement of a purchase order agreement between a seller and a buyer and relating to a transaction in one or more goods, and electronically store the purchase order agreement

604 receive and store electronic evidence that the seller has performed in connection with fulfilling the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

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606 electronically evaluate whether the seller has complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

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610 receive and store electronic evidence that the buyer has made one or more payments in connection with fulfilling the buyer's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement